

Fig. 1

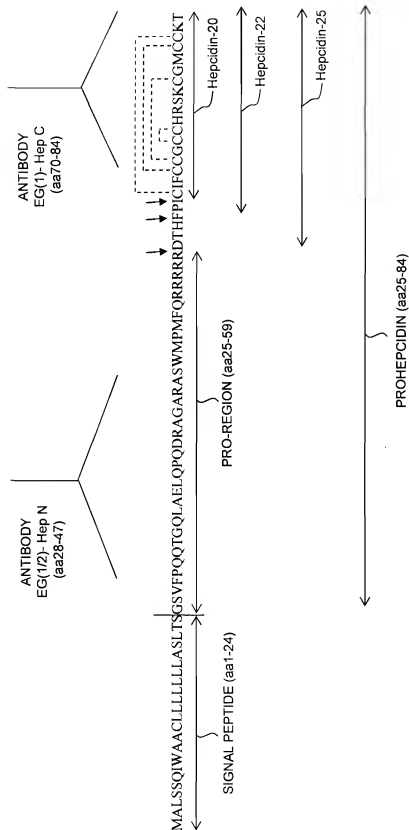


FIG. 2A



FIG. 2B

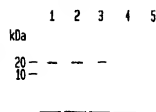


FIG. 2C

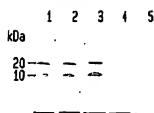


FIG. 2D

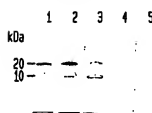


FIG. 3A



FIG. 3B



FIG. 3C

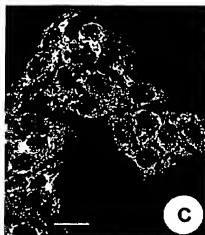


FIG. 4A



A

FIG. 4B



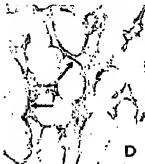
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FIG. 4C



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FIG. 4D



D

FIG. 4E



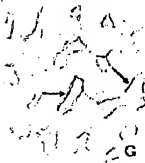
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FIG. 4F



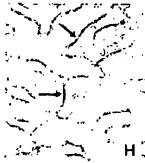
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FIG. 4G



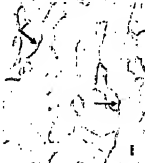
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FIG. 4H



H

FIG. 4I



I

FIG. 5A

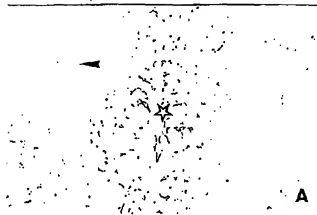


FIG. 5B

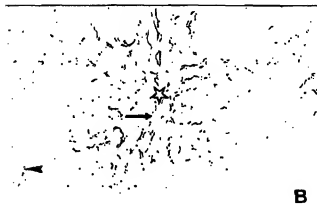


FIG. 5C



FIG. 6

Extinction at 450 nm

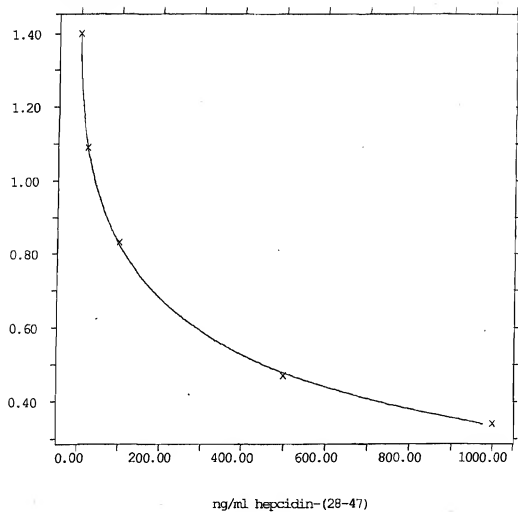


FIG. 7**Hepcidin Nucleotide Sequence:**

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ctgcaagacg tagaacctac
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Hepcidin Amino Acid Sequence

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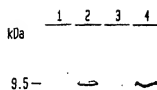
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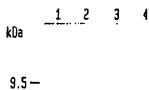
FIG. 8



A



B



C

FIG. 9

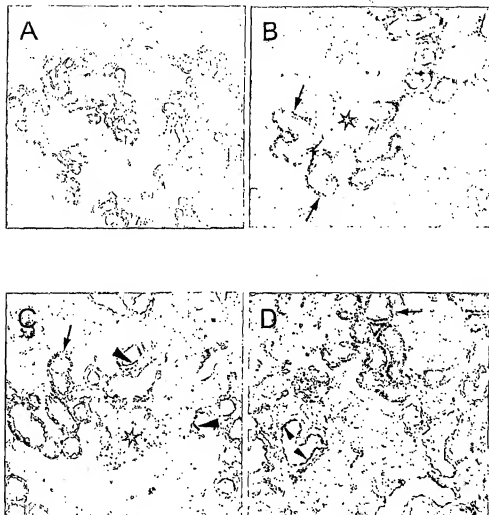


FIG. 10

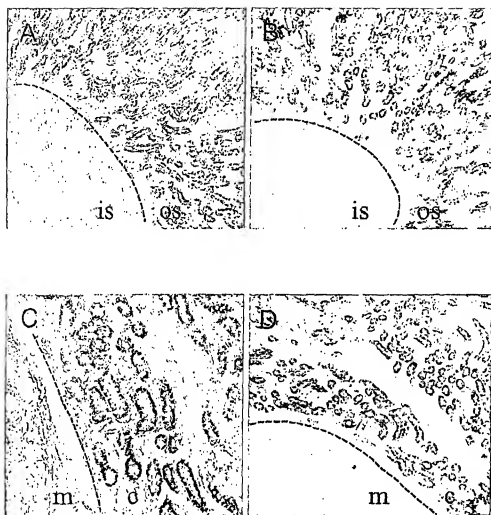


FIG. 11

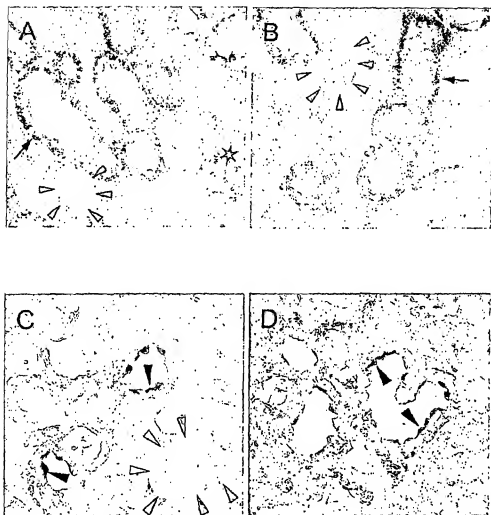


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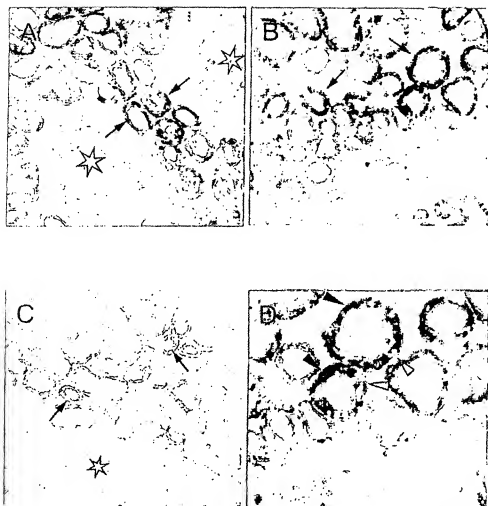


FIG. 13

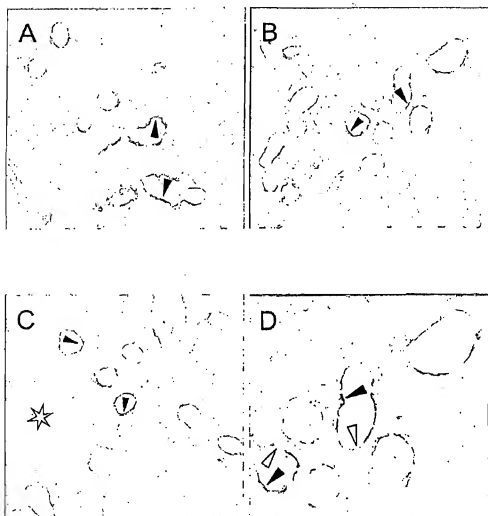


FIG. 14

